

RUSHVILLE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2010 AT 6:15 P.M.
FIVE YEAR MASTER PLAN

OPENING: A public hearing of the Parks & Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at 6:15 p.m. at the Council Chambers located at 270 W. 15th Street. This hearing was to present a five (5) year master plan for the board.

Board members present: Denny Corn, Steve Sickbert, Anna Karen Pennington, and Sue Otte. Absent members were Liz Crain and David Malson. Also, present was Parks Director, Danny Mathews and Secretary Paula Shelton.

Mr. Eric Frey, Executive Director Administrative Resources association, stated the purpose of this public hearing was to get public input about the cities park and recreation needs. Several questionnaires were collected by Mr. Frey from some of the board members. These forms will be able to show what input the public has about some of the parks programs, facilities, and walking trails. A plan is to be submitted by March 2011 and the final plan will be due on April 15, 2011. Steve Sickbert asked Parks Director, Danny Mathews, if there were any programs that the parks could introduce. Danny said there may be a few programs, but he would get back once the questionnaires were looked over. It was suggested that the parks partner with some of the local groups to offer some of these programs.

Gary Hoeing from the little league baseball diamond was in attendance and stated their biggest concern was the parking problem and safety issues down at the diamond. He said they could try to schedule games at different days and times and try to shut off the streets so cars would not be coming into the park. A suggestion was made about utilizing the Community Park on Ft. Wayne Road, which already has two baseball diamonds, and since it is not being used at this time. If this park was used, it might ease some of the safety issues down at the baseball diamond. Eric Frey said they would go through all the surveys and let us know what they have found and begin to make suggestions.

There being no further hearing on the public business, this was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Denny Corn, President_____

Steve Sickbert, Member_____

Anna Karen Pennington, Member_____

Sue Otte, Member_____

David Malson, Member_____

Liz Crain, Member_____

Paula Shelton, Secretary_____

